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CASES OF ARGENTINE PRISONERS ADOPTED BY US AMNESTY INTERNATIONALADOPTION GROUPS

- \* 1) Alfredo Bravo
- 2) Mario Zareceansky and wife Silvia Montserrat
- 3) Eduardo Jose Porcel
- 4) Arturo Corte
- 5) Claudio Santiago Bermann
- 6) Oswaldo Vadiolo
- 7) Joaquin Nunez
- 8) Juan Gonzalez
- 9) Susana Pioli
- 10) Federico Eduardo Alvarez Rojas and wife Graciela Leikis de Alvarez Rojas ( both disappeared)
- 11) Lanny Ludin
- 12) Candida Graciela Burian Rojas
- 13) Stella Maris Ramirez de Custodio
- \* 14) Jacobo Timmerman
- 15) Raymundo Gleyzer
- 16) Nestor Manuel Fantini Aybar
- 17) Rodolfo Begnardi and Nora Julia Bucare
- 18) Oswaldo Gasparini
- 19) Horacio Rene Matoso
- 20) Nebio Ariel Melo Cuesta ( disappeared )

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

☒ Release ☐ Excise ☐ Deny

Exemption(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Amnesty International is a worldwide human rights movement which works impartially for the release of prisoners of conscience, men and women detained anywhere for their beliefs, color, ethnic origin, sex, religion or language, provided they have neither used nor advocated violence. Amnesty International opposes torture and the death penalty in all cases without reservation and advocates fair and prompt trials for all political prisoners. Amnesty International is independent of all governments, political factions, ideologies, economic interests and religious creeds. It has consultative status with the United Nations (ECOSOC), UNESCO and the Council of Europe, has cooperative relations with the Organization of African Unity (Bureau for the Placement and Education of African Refugees). Amnesty International was the recipient of the 1977 Nobel Prize for Peace.

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\* More information regarding these cases is available from Amnesty International

(Amnesty International continues to be concerned about the the house arrest of Jacobo Timmerman, and Alfredo Bravo, noted in the above list.)

Amnesty International calls your attention to two cases of particular concern.

- 1) Alicia Beatriz Wieland Zeoli, an adopted prisoner of AI, was arrested in a group of 19 persons on 11 November 1975. Only two persons of this group are reported alive today. Alicia Wieland Zeoli was illegally transferred to Cordoba Penitentiary from Villa Devoto Prison at the beginning of June, allegedly for security reasons, and is now reported disappeared. (She was granted a visa by the Austrian Government during 1977.)
- 2) Humberto Primo Pollano, was arrested at his home in La Rioja, on October 1, 1977 by military forces. Allegedly beaten and tortured at the time of arrest, he was placed in detention at Penal Carcel Modelo de la Rioja, where he remains incommunicado. Age 62, Sr. Pollano is in poor physical condition as he suffers from bronchial asthma, a chronic gall bladder condition and a post-tubercular pulmonary condition, which had forced his early retirement years ago. Although he is permitted no visitors, his wife is allowed to bring food and prescription medicines to the prison twice weekly.

From 1947 to 1950 Sr Pollano held the position of Director of the Department of Labor and Social Security for the province of Jujuy. For health reasons he was transferred to La Rioja where he held a teaching position at the National Industrial School. Amnesty International urges that he be released on humanitarian grounds in view of his precarious state of health, and that he be allowed to take advantage of a constitutional right to opt for exile as an alternative to continued detention.